

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

AGENDA

JANUARY 23, 2012

1. Introduction of Attendees
2. Approval of minutes of meeting held January 17, 2012
3. Emergency Allocations – Page 1
4. Payment of Cost Items – Page 1
TAB #'s 1 and 2
5. Renewal Memberships – Pages 2 – 3
TAB #'s 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8

3. **Emergency Allocations**

- A. Department of Public Safety, Iowa State Patrol is requesting an emergency allocation and payment in the amount of \$17,906.84. On June 20, 2011 hail damaged Vehicle # 170 and lightning damaged the office phone system at Iowa District 12, Department of Public Safety, Iowa State Patrol. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation in the amount requested subject to audit of actual invoices.

4. **Payment of Cost Items**

- A. Patterson Law Firm L.L.P..... \$188.00
729 Insurance Exchange Building
505 Fifth Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50309-2390
Maureen Kimmerle v. State of Iowa and Second Injury Fund

- B. Patterson Law Firm L.L.P..... \$160.00
729 Insurance Exchange Building
505 Fifth Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50309-2390
Debbie Miller v. State of Iowa and Second Injury Fund

Julie Pottorff, Deputy Attorney General, has reviewed these invoices and recommends payments.

- C. Hogan & Lovells US LLP.....\$297.50
Columbia Square
555 Thirteenth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20004
National Indian Gaming Commission

Julie Pottorff, Deputy Attorney General, has reviewed invoice for amount shown above. Request Executive Council authorization to present bill to the State Appeal Board for payment.

TAB # 1

- D. Hogan & Lovells US LLP.....\$214.20
Columbia Square
555 Thirteenth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20004
National Indian Gaming Commission

Julie Pottorff, Deputy Attorney General, has reviewed invoice for amount shown above. Request Executive Council authorization to present bill to the State Appeal Board for payment.

TAB # 2

5. **Renewal Memberships**

- A. Agriculture in North Central U.S. Animal Health Association in the amount of \$125.00 for January 1 - December 31, 2012. (Previous amount was \$125.00.)
Other agencies: No: Funding Source: State General Fund
- B. Agriculture in United States Animal Health Association in the amount of \$600.00 for January 1 - December 31, 2012. (Previous amount was \$600.00.)
Other agencies: No: Funding Source: State General Fund
- C. Economic Development in Midwest Travel Writers Association in the amount of \$125.00 for February 1, 2012 - January 31, 2013. (Previous amount was \$125.00.) Other agencies: No: Funding Source: State General Fund
- D. Health in Iowa Rural Health Association in the amount of \$175.00 for January 1 - December 31, 2012. (Previous amount was \$175.00.) Other agencies: No: Funding Source: Federal Funds
- E. Law Enforcement Academy in International Assn. of Directors of Law Enforcement in the amount of \$400.00 for January 1 - December 31, 2012. (Previous amount was \$400.00.) Other agencies: No: Funding Source: State General Fund
- F. Natural Resources in Mid-States Organized Crime Information Center (MOCIC) in the amount of \$250.00 for January 1 - December 31, 2012. (Previous amount was \$250.00.) Other agencies: No: Funding Source: Other State Funds: Fish & Wildlife Trust Fund
- G. Natural Resources in Mississippi Interstate Cooperative Resource Association (MICRA) in the amount of \$1,500.00 for January 1 - December 31, 2012. (Previous amount was \$1,500.00.) Other agencies: No: Funding Source: Other State Funds: Fish & Wildlife Trust Fund

TAB # 3

- H. Natural Resources in Mississippi Flyway Council, Inc. in the amount of \$1,700.00 for July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012. (Previous amount was \$1,000.00.)
Other agencies: No: Funding Source: Other State Funds: Fish & Wildlife Trust Fund

TAB # 4

- I. Natural Resources in Missouri River Natural Resources Committee (MRNRC) in the amount of 1,500.00 for January 1 - December 31, 2012. (Previous amount was \$1,500.00.) Other agencies: No: Funding Source: Other State Funds: Fish & Wildlife Trust Fund

TAB # 5

- J. Natural Resources in National Association of State Park Directors in the amount of \$1,600.00 for November 1, 2011 - October 31, 2012. (Previous amount was \$2,000.00.) Other agencies: No: Funding Source: State General Fund

TAB # 6

- K. Natural Resources in National Association State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) in the amount of \$6,000.00 for January 1 - December 31, 2012. (Previous amount was \$6,000.00.) Other agencies: No: Funding Source: Other State Funds: Fish & Wildlife Trust Fund/Boa

TAB # 7

- L. Natural Resources in Upper Mississippi River Conservation Committee in the amount of \$2,000.00 for January 1 - December 31, 2012. (Previous amount was \$2,000.00.) Other agencies: No: Funding Source: Other State Funds: Fish & Wildlife Trust

TAB # 8

- M. Public Defense in The Construction Specifications Institute (CSI) in the amount of \$310.00 for February 1, 2012 - January 31, 2013. (Previous amount was \$310.00.) Other agencies: No: Funding Source: Federal Funds
- N. Treasurer of State in Iowa Treasury Management Association in the amount of \$250.00 for January 1 - December 31, 2012. (Previous amount was \$250.00.) Other agencies: No: Funding Source: Other State Funds

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
2012 JAN 19 AM 8:58



TAB # 1

THOMAS J. MILLER
ATTORNEY GENERAL

JULIE F. POTTORFF
DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Address Reply To:
1305 E. Walnut Street
Des Moines, Iowa 50319
Telephone: 515/281-3349
Fax: 515/281-4209
Julie.Pottorff@iowa.gov

Iowa Department of Justice

January 18, 2012

GeorgAnna Madsen
Executive Secretary
Executive Council
State Capitol
L-O-C-A-L

Re: Payment of Claims for Fees by Special Counsel

Dear GeorgAnna:

Our office is forwarding to the Executive Council an invoice for attorney fees and costs totaling \$297.50 from Douglas Wheeler at Hogan & Hartson (now Hogan Lovells) for legal services in representing the State of Iowa and the Department of Inspections & Appeals in a federal judicial review action challenging the decision by the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) that approved a site specific gaming ordinance submitted by the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska for a parcel of land in Carter Lake, Iowa. This case is on remand to the NIGC following an appeal to the Eighth Circuit.

The claim appears reasonable and our office recommends payment. Pursuant to the terms of our contract, payment should be made from the funds of the Department of Inspections & Appeals. But, due to difficulties obtaining payment from the Department in the past, with approval of the Council our office has been sending claims to the State Appeal Board for payment.

The State Appeal Board twice has paid claims in arrears. We request the Council authorize our office to send this claim to the State Appeal Board for payment as well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie F. Pottorff".

JULIE F. POTTORFF
Deputy Attorney General

Enclosure

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
2012 JAN 19 PM 8:58



TAB # 2

THOMAS J. MILLER
ATTORNEY GENERAL

JULIE F. POTTORFF
DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Iowa Department of Justice

January 18, 2012

Address Reply To:
1305 E. Walnut Street
Des Moines, Iowa 50319
Telephone: 515/281-3349
Fax: 515/281-4209
Julie.Pottorff@iowa.gov

GeorgAnna Madsen
Executive Secretary
Executive Council
State Capitol
L-O-C-A-L

Re: Payment of Claims for Fees by Special Counsel

Dear GeorgAnna:

Our office is forwarding to the Executive Council an invoice for attorney fees and costs totaling \$214.20 from Douglas Wheeler at Hogan & Hartson (now Hogan Lovells) for legal services in representing the State of Iowa and the Department of Inspections & Appeals in a federal judicial review action challenging the decision by the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) that approved a site specific gaming ordinance submitted by the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska for a parcel of land in Carter Lake, Iowa. This case is on remand to the NIGC following an appeal to the Eighth Circuit.

The claim appears reasonable and our office recommends payment. Pursuant to the terms of our contract, payment should be made from the funds of the Department of Inspections & Appeals. But, due to difficulties obtaining payment from the Department in the past, with approval of the Council our office has been sending claims to the State Appeal Board for payment.

The State Appeal Board twice has paid claims in arrears. We request the Council authorize our office to send this claim to the State Appeal Board for payment as well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie F. Pottorff".

JULIE F. POTTORFF
Deputy Attorney General

Enclosure

Executive Council of Iowa
Capitol Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319
Phone: 515 281-5368
FAX: 515 281-7562

TAB # 3

REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP APPROVAL

DEPARTMENT REQUESTING MEMBERSHIP: Natural Resources

NAME OF ORGANIZATION Mississippi Interstate Cooperative Resource Association (MICRA)

NEW MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL ☒ **MEMBERSHIP PERIOD:** 01/01/12 - 12/31/12

MEMBERSHIP FEE OR DUES AMOUNT \$ 1,500

Funding Source: ☐ State General Fund ☐ Other State Funds ☒ Fish & Wildlife Trust Fund
Federal Funds ☐ Other Funds ☐

If Renewal, previous year amount \$ 1,500

DO OTHER DEPARTMENTS BELONG TO THIS ORGANIZATION? ☐ Yes ☒ No

WILL THIS MEMBERSHIP REQUIRE AND PAY FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, list the anticipated number of trips per year and their purpose:

Six fisheries staff will request to attend their respective annual committee meeting. Meetings include Annual Board Meeting, Paddlefish/Sturgeon Committee Meeting, and Aquatic Invasive Species Committee.

DESCRIBE WHY THIS MEMBERSHIP IS IMPORTANT TO THE WORK OF YOUR DEPARTMENT: MICRA is 28-state compact that works to improve interjurisdictional river resource management in the Mississippi River Basin (both recreational and commercial). This is a partnership that manages the largest watershed in the nation, covering 1.25 million square miles, and draining 41% of the continental United States.

Fish stocks in these waters are increasingly important to recreational fishing. Yet habitat degradation and the multiplicity of aquatic management authorities complicate and threaten the supply and utilization of these stocks. Fish species that move between management jurisdictions create complex resource management problems related to regulation development, licensing, enforcement, and establishment of management objectives.

Fishery management must be able to respond to these problems, including increasing demand. Increased demand will be met only if fishery management agencies work together to perpetuate and enhance these important interstate aquatic resources and habitats.

Priority issues right now include shovelnose sturgeon and paddlefish commercially harvested at a much higher pace which deals with the caviar industry. Iowa is impacted every time another state changes regulations or closes a season. States are also dealing with Similarity of Appearance (SOA) which involves palid sturgeon (rare species) and shovelnose sturgeon (common species).

DESCRIBE HOW MEMBERSHIP IN THIS ORGANIZATION WILL BENEFIT THE TAXPAYERS OF THE STATE OF IOWA. The policies, plans and programs formulated by MICRA strive to manage the Mississippi River Basin as one system. Agencies share studies, research, and coordinate efforts more effectively. Decisions made affect the commercial and recreational industry and allow better protection/management of the resource.

DESCRIBE THE FREQUENCY AND TYPE OF CONTACTS YOU EXPECT YOUR DEPARTMENT TO HAVE WITH THIS ORGANIZATION: MICRA committees participate in conference calls, receive daily e-mails with updates, also receive "River Crossings" publication that covers current issues, studies, lawsuits, protections, actions, etc.

Requested by: Joe Larscheid Fisheries Bureau Chief

Date: 1/9/2012

Deputy Director:

Charles G. Goss

Date: 1/10/2012

Director:

Date:

DOM Approval ☒ Disapproval ☐

Signature

Joe Larscheid

Date

1-10-12

Membership Form 42400

Paul Reder

1/11/12

July 2009

DNR

Executive Council of Iowa

Capitol Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319
Phone: 515 281-5368
FAX: 515 281-7562

TAB # 4

REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP APPROVAL

DEPARTMENT REQUESTING MEMBERSHIP: Iowa Department of Natural Resources

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: Mississippi Flyway Council, Inc.

NEW MEMBERSHIP ☐ **RENEWAL** ☒ **MEMBERSHIP PERIOD:** 07/01/2011 to 06/30/2012

MEMBERSHIP FEE OR DUES AMOUNT \$1,700.00

Funding Source: ☐ State General Fund ☐ Other State Funds ☒ Fish & Wildlife Trust Fund
If Renewal, previous year amount. \$1,000.00

DO OTHER DEPARTMENTS BELONG TO THIS ORGANIZATION? ☐ Yes ☒ No

WILL THIS MEMBERSHIP REQUIRE AND PAY FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL? ☒ Yes* ☐ No

If yes, list the anticipated number of trips per year and their purpose: The Mississippi Flyway Council and its technical advisory groups meet twice each year to coordinate monitoring programs for migratory birds in North America and develop migratory bird hunting regulations for U.S. Two to four staff participate in these meetings depending upon the issues addressed.

DESCRIBE WHY THIS MEMBERSHIP IS IMPORTANT TO THE WORK OF YOUR DEPARTMENT:

The Mississippi Flyway Council is a coalition of 14 states, 3 Canadian provinces, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Canadian Wildlife Service that works jointly to coordinate the management of migratory birds in the Mississippi Flyway and on the N. Am. continent. The Council is a forum for coordinating federal, state, and provincial migratory bird management and monitoring activities and for developing hunting regulations that ensure an equitable distribution of harvest among states and provinces and simultaneously maintain migratory bird populations at self-sustaining levels.

DESCRIBE HOW MEMBERSHIP IN THIS ORGANIZATION WILL BENEFIT THE TAXPAYERS OF THE STATE OF IOWA.

- Membership ensures that Iowa's 40,000+ migratory bird hunters have voting representation on the Council that annually develops recommendations for migratory bird hunting regulations in the Mississippi Flyway. Without membership, Iowa's do not have voting representation or input into the development of migratory bird hunting regulations or into the development of the migratory bird monitoring programs that are essential to sustaining these populations and making biologically-sound migratory bird management decisions. Lack of membership will result in migratory bird hunting regulations and monitoring programs being dictated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- Migratory bird hunters annually contribute \$28 million to the Iowa economy. Having input into the development of the hunting regulations that control this recreational activity is important to maintaining this economic benefit.

DESCRIBE THE FREQUENCY AND TYPE OF CONTACTS YOU EXPECT YOUR DEPARTMENT TO HAVE WITH THIS ORGANIZATION:

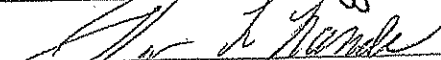
- The Council and its' technical advisory groups meet twice each year to share information on migratory bird populations, production, habitat changes, and harvests. These groups work in concert to develop biologically sound migratory bird harvest strategies and make recommendations on those strategies to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Information is also electronically disseminated daily among the group members to coordinate programs and activities and ensure all members can make informed decisions.

Requested by: Dale Garner, Chief - Wildlife Bureau

Date: 1/3/2012

Deputy Director: 

Date: 1-08-12

Director: 

Date: 1/10/12

DOM: Approval ☒ Disapproval ☐

Signature: 

Date: 1/11/12

Membership Form 42400

July 2009

Executive Council of Iowa

TAB # 5

Capitol Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319
Phone: 515 281-5368
FAX: 515 281-7562

REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP APPROVAL

DEPARTMENT REQUESTING MEMBERSHIP: Natural Resources

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: Missouri River Natural Resources Committee (MRNRC)

NEW MEMBERSHIP _____ **RENEWAL** ☒ **MEMBERSHIP PERIOD:** Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012
(Beginning and ending dates)

MEMBERSHIP FEE OR DUES AMOUNT \$1500

Funding Source: State General Fund ☐ Other State Funds ☒ Fish & Wildlife Trust Fund

Federal Funds ☐ Other Funds ☐

If Renewal, previous year amount. \$1500

DO OTHER DEPARTMENTS BELONG TO THIS ORGANIZATION? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please list: NA

WILL THIS MEMBERSHIP REQUIRE AND PAY FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, list the anticipated number of trips per year and their purpose:

Two trips per year are anticipated. The Committee sponsors an annual Missouri River Conference in cooperation with U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The committee also conducts an annual fall business meeting. The meeting location rotates annually to one of the 7 basin states represented on the committee. Iowa hosted the meetings in 2008 and will again in 2015.

DESCRIBE WHY THIS MEMBERSHIP IS IMPORTANT TO THE WORK OF YOUR DEPARTMENT:

The US Army Corps of Engineers (COE) has authority to manage the Missouri River and the associated natural resources, however Iowa has jurisdiction of Iowa land and water that borders the river. The Iowa DNR has interest and concerns with current and future COE management of the Missouri River. There are numerous ongoing & future fish & wildlife mitigation projects being conducted by COE. The Omaha district COE Iowa budget for mitigation work on the river ranges between \$10-20 million annually over the past four years.

DESCRIBE HOW MEMBERSHIP IN THIS ORGANIZATION WILL BENEFIT THE TAXPAYERS OF THE STATE OF IOWA.

The Missouri River Natural Resources Committee (MRNRC) is a consortium of state and federal biologists with fish and wildlife management responsibilities for the river. The MRNRC was formed in 1987 to promote and facilitate the preservation, conservation, and enhancement of natural resources of the Missouri River System. The goal of this committee is to disseminate and provide accurate biological information for basin citizens about their public trust natural resources. The Missouri River is an important recreational and economic resource for Iowa Citizens.

DESCRIBE THE FREQUENCY AND TYPE OF CONTACTS YOU EXPECT YOUR DEPARTMENT TO HAVE WITH THIS ORGANIZATION:

Monthly conference calls, annual conference, and an annual fall business meeting.

Requested by: Joe Larscheid, Fisheries Bureau Chief

Date: 1/9/2012

Deputy Director:

Chuck Goff

Date: 1/10/2012

Director:

Date:

DOM:

Approval ☒ Disapproval ☐

Signature

[Signature]

Date: 1-10-12

DOM:

[Signature]

1/11/12

Executive Council of Iowa

Capitol Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319
Phone: 515 281-5368
FAX: 515 281-7562

TAB # 6

REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP APPROVAL

DEPARTMENT REQUESTING MEMBERSHIP: Natural Resources

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: National Association of State Park Directors

NEW MEMBERSHIP: ☐ **RENEWAL:** ☒ **MEMBERSHIP PERIOD:** 11/1/2011 - 10/31/2012

If Renewal, previous year amount. \$ 1,600.00

MEMBERSHIP FEE OR DUES AMOUNT \$ 2,000.00

Funding Source: ☒ State General Fund ☐ Other State Funds: _____

☐ Federal Funds ☐ Other Funds: _____

DO OTHER DEPARTMENTS BELONG TO THIS ORGANIZATION? ☐ Yes ☒ No

WILL THIS MEMBERSHIP REQUIRE AND PAY FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, list the anticipated number of trips per year and their purpose: The State Parks Bureau Chief attends the annual fall conference, participating in direct dialogues with directors from across the nation regarding important information on current issues, such as hard economic times, tight budgets, and maintaining a park system during this economic time.

DESCRIBE WHY THIS MEMBERSHIP IS IMPORTANT TO THE WORK OF YOUR DEPARTMENT:

The National Association of State Park Directors (NASPD) is devoted to helping state park systems effectively manage and administer their state park system. The mission of the Association is to promote and advance the state park systems of America for their own significance, as well as for their important contributions to the nation's environment, heritage, health and economy. The Association is composed of fifty state park directors, plus territories of the United States of America. Without Iowa's contribution, the overall organization will be less effective as an organization of the system of state parks.

DESCRIBE HOW MEMBERSHIP IN THIS ORGANIZATION WILL BENEFIT THE TAXPAYERS OF THE STATE OF IOWA.

- Access to the NASPD website which provides members a common forum for the exchange of pertinent information regarding state park programs and services.
- variety of other services including, direct links to state park directors and key staffs in each state, current research about state parks and related topics.
- Access to resources and tools which benefit the taxpayers of Iowa, including sustainability of state parks.
- Tracking of federal legislation and provide collective comments on behalf of the 50 state park systems. They are the collective 50 state park voice before Congress and addresses national policy. As an active member, Iowa also benefits from the exchange of information and the knowledge and experiences of the other 49 states.
- Visitation to state parks continues to increase, especially in hard economic times. It is even more important, now more than ever, to utilize the work of this organization. **Iowa's park system hosts 14+ million visitors and membership in this association puts Iowa in a better position to meet this demand.**

DESCRIBE THE FREQUENCY AND TYPE OF CONTACTS YOU EXPECT YOUR DEPARTMENT TO HAVE WITH THIS ORGANIZATION: information exchange, website, surveys, newsletters, and other information. We will have access an association staff person that provides constant communication through monthly emails, keeps us updated on events, and organizes information that goes before Congress.

Requested by: Kevin Szcudronski, Bureau Chief

Date: 1/3/2012

Deputy Director: David Gage

Date: 1/10/2012

Director: Don J. Gunde

Date: 1-08-12

DOM: Approval: ☒ **Disapproval:** ☐

Signature: David Gage

Date: 1/11/12

Executive Council of Iowa
Capitol Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319
Phone: 515 281-5368
FAX: 515 281-7562

TAB # 7

REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP APPROVAL

DEPARTMENT REQUESTING MEMBERSHIP: Natural Resources

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: National Association State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA)

NEW MEMBERSHIP ☐ **RENEWAL** ☒ **MEMBERSHIP PERIOD:** 01/01/2012 to 12/31/2012

MEMBERSHIP FEE OR DUES AMOUNT \$6,000.00

Funding Source: ☐ State General Fund ☐ Other State Funds ☒ Fish & Wildlife Trust Fund/Boating Fund

☒ Federal Funds ☐ Other Funds _____

Funding for membership is derived from our federal grant (Federal Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund via the U.S. Coast Guard) and our state boat registration fund dollars (part of the DNR Fish & Wildlife Trust Fund). No General Fund money is used.

If Renewal, previous year amount. \$6,000.00

DO OTHER DEPARTMENTS BELONG TO THIS ORGANIZATION? ☐ Yes ☒ No

WILL THIS MEMBERSHIP REQUIRE AND PAY FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL? ☒ Yes* ☐ No

If yes, list the anticipated number of trips per year and their purpose:

Annual Fall Conference

Spring workshop/committee meetings * travel, registration, 2 nights lodging, and 3 days per diem are paid by NASBLA. State portion will be 3 nights lodging and 2 days per diem.

DESCRIBE WHY THIS MEMBERSHIP IS IMPORTANT TO THE WORK OF YOUR DEPARTMENT.

NASBLA

1. Provides increased federal funding for Iowa's boating safety and law enforcement programs by providing collective representation before Congress. All federal funding coming into Iowa through the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund is reauthorized by Congress every 5 years.
2. Serves as a united voice for Iowa and 55 other state and territorial boating programs before Congress and has successfully lobbied to bring over \$100 million back to the states in additional funding.
3. Provides improved training and development opportunities for marine officers and agency staff.
4. Develops with its partners, specialized courses and training modules specifically designed for our Conservation Officers at no cost. Some of these trainings include "boating accident investigation", "advanced boating accident investigation", and "boating while intoxicated (BWI)" trainings.
5. Enhance education standards and model laws to support more uniformity and reciprocity among states.
6. Has streamlined the application renewal process for boating education course providers by implementing standard NASBLA approved guidelines for all education courses.
7. Represents the states by having our own collective boating education standards which enhances interstate reciprocity and more standardization of education courses. Because of these standards, which are recognized by the U.S. Coast Guard, Iowa has avoided the federal government from imposing additional education standards.
8. Provides stronger representation for Iowa's boating programs' interests in national policy matters. Iowa's program shares a common perspective regarding national policies as other states. NASBLA collectively develops the perspectives and policies and then presents these policy positions to Congress. An example would be, giving states additional grant funding for Homeland Security issues occurring on Iowa's waterways.

DESCRIBE HOW MEMBERSHIP IN THIS ORGANIZATION WILL BENEFIT THE TAXPAYERS OF THE STATE OF IOWA.

1. NASBLA's leadership and support for the Federal Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund means approximately \$1.4 million to the Law Enforcement Bureau for FY12. This benefits Iowans by providing funding to purchase equipment and hire Seasonal Water patrol officers, which serve as a staff multiplier on Iowa's lakes and rivers.
2. By addressing and promoting reciprocity of boating regulations and education standards among the states, Iowa's boating public reap the direct benefit when boating in state or traveling out of state to recreate.
3. Working with NASBLA as a partner has directly enhanced the boating laws in Iowa to make the waterways safer and more enjoyable for all taxpayers. The following legislation was enacted in Iowa based on the support of NASBLA and the U.S. Coast Guard.
 - Boater education for all youth ages 12-17
 - Implied consent for "Boating While Intoxicated" (BWI)
 - Life jacket wear for young people ages 12 and under
 - Life jacket wear for all persons driving a personal water craft, waterskiing or tubing.
 - Wearing a safety lanyard (automatic kill switch) while driving a personal water craft
 - Blood Alcohol Content(BAC) level for Boating While Intoxicated(BWI) reduced to .08%.
4. NASBLA implemented and developed "Operation Dry Water" an awareness campaign to educate Iowans on the hazards of drinking and driving a boat. The marketing, development of Public Service Announcements (PSA's) and organization of the campaign was provided free of charge to Iowa. Citizens of Iowa benefited because this campaign made boating safer, thus protecting lives and property by reducing the number of boating incidents in Iowa.

DESCRIBE THE FREQUENCY AND TYPE OF CONTACTS YOU EXPECT YOUR DEPARTMENT TO HAVE WITH THIS ORGANIZATION:

- Annual fall conference
- Spring workshop/committee meetings
- Weekly phone and/or email communication
- Newsletter
- Legislative updates

Requested by: Robert Garrison, Chief - Law Enforcement Bureau

Date: 12/29/11

Deputy Director:

Charles G. Goff

Date: 1/10/12

Director:

John L. Smith

Date: 1-08-12

DOM:

Approval ☒

Disapproval ☐

Signature

John L. Smith

Date

1/10/12

Executive Council of Iowa
Capitol Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319
Phone: 515 281-5368
FAX: 515 281-7562

TAB # 8

REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP APPROVAL

DEPARTMENT REQUESTING MEMBERSHIP: Natural Resources _____

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: Upper Mississippi River Conservation Committee _____

NEW MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL X **MEMBERSHIP PERIOD:** 01/01/2012 - 12/31/2012 _____
(Beginning and ending dates)

MEMBERSHIP FEE OR DUES AMOUNT \$ 2,000 annually

Funding Source: State General Fund ☐ Other State Funds X Fish & Wildlife Trust

Federal Funds ☐ Other Funds ☐ _____

If Renewal, previous year amount. \$ 2,000 _____

DO OTHER DEPARTMENTS BELONG TO THIS ORGANIZATION? ☐ Yes X No

Please describe why your department should have an additional membership _____

WILL THIS MEMBERSHIP REQUIRE AND PAY FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL? ☐ Yes X No
If yes, list the anticipated number of trips per year and their purpose: The membership requires out-of-state travel but will not pay for travel. Two trips per year

DESCRIBE WHY THIS MEMBERSHIP IS IMPORTANT TO THE WORK OF YOUR DEPARTMENT:
The UMRCC consists of resource professional working in the states of Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Minnesota and Wisconsin plus U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Army Corps of Engineers and Environmental Protection Agency staff. The Committee promotes the preservation and wise use of natural & recreational resources of the Upper Mississippi River. It formulates policies, plans and programs for carrying on cooperative surveys and studies.

DESCRIBE HOW MEMBERSHIP IN THIS ORGANIZATION WILL BENEFIT THE TAXPAYERS OF THE STATE OF IOWA. The UMRCC formulates policies, plans and programs for carrying on cooperative surveys and studies. Recommendations from these studies and surveys are provided to governing States in the support of UMRCC objectives. Implementation of these recommendations by States governing bodies benefit fishers, boaters, hunters and others who recreate on the River by restoring, maintaining and conserving fish, wildlife, recreational and water quality resources. It is through these efforts that the River's natural resources can be managed as on system and is an effective means to sustain a healthy river system for taxpayers of the State of Iowa.

DESCRIBE THE FREQUENCY AND TYPE OF CONTACTS YOU EXPECT YOUR DEPARTMENT TO HAVE WITH THIS ORGANIZATION: The UMRCC Executive Board conducts quarterly conference calls and holds one spring annual meeting. Fisheries, Wildlife, Recreation and Law Enforcement technical committees each hold separate fall meetings.

Requested by: _____
(Department Head Signature)

Date: 1-08-12

Phone: _____

DOM: Approval X Disapproval ☐

Signature: _____ **Date:** 1/4/12